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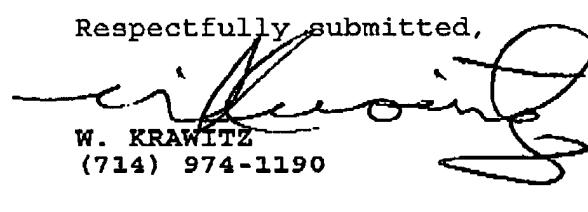
Sir,

AMENDMENT:

In response to the telephone discussion between the Patent Examiner, Mr. Alton N. Pryor, and Willie Krawitz for the Applicant on January 8, 2004, numerous revisions were made in the claims, as shown in the clean copy of the claims, attached hereto, and the many helpful suggestions by the Patent Examiner are greatly appreciated.

Cancel claims 1 - 3, 5, 16, 17, 19, 20, 27, 33, and 36 - 40. It will be noted that claim 40 had been inadvertently included in the clean copy of the claims previously submitted, and has now been cancelled. Claim 41 which is essentially a duplicate of cancelled claim 40, still remains in the case.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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